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FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 937

AN ACT

2 To amend chapter 28, RSMo, by adding thereto
3 two new sections relating to the Missouri
4 catalog of assistance programs, with sunset
5 provisions.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI,
7 AS FOLLOWS:

8 Section A. Chapter 28, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto
9 two new sections, to be known as sections 28.750 and 28.752, to
10 read as follows:

11 28.750. 1. The secretary of state shall develop the
12 "Missouri Catalog of Assistance Programs", which shall serve as
13 the state's single repository of information for public
14 assistance programs and shall be available in an electronic
15 format for access over the Internet. The electronic catalog
16 shall include an index and search function similar to the catalog
17 of federal domestic assistance maintained by the federal
18 government. The development of the catalog shall have the
19 following purposes:

1 (1) Improve the effectiveness and performance of state
2 programs;

3 (2) Simplify state assistance identification and reduce
4 state government costs by eliminating the need for printing and
5 postage currently expended sending out grant announcements, where
6 applicable, and elimination of the multiple state Internet web
7 sites and other information-dissemination programs, where
8 applicable, currently in place for such programs;

9 (3) Improve the delivery of services to the public; and

10 (4) Facilitate greater coordination across state agencies
11 responsible for delivering such services by coordinating funding
12 announcements in a single notice of funding availability section
13 of the catalog.

14 2. There is hereby established the "Catalog of State
15 Assistance Programs Task Team" to be comprised of one person from
16 each state agency. The secretary of state, or the secretary's
17 designee, will chair the task team. The team's mission shall be
18 to:

19 (1) Facilitate information gathering for the development of
20 the catalog; and

21 (2) Submit a report to the members of the general assembly,
22 the governor, and the chief justice of the Missouri supreme court
23 that shall propose a strategic plan to standardize the
24 application of state assistance across all state agencies and

1 allows for electronic submission of applications under one
2 automated grant application system. Implementation of the
3 strategic plan pursuant to this subdivision shall be subject to
4 appropriations for such purposes.

5 All state agencies that provide assistance described in section
6 28.752 shall participate in the development and ongoing
7 maintenance of the catalog.

8 3. The catalog shall include a notice of funding
9 availability. All state agencies shall provide an electronic
10 copy of their program request for proposal or application packets
11 to the secretary of state to be electronically posted in the
12 catalog. The state and each state agency shall also add a link
13 to their Internet web homepage called "Grants and Assistance
14 Programs" that shall link to the Missouri catalog of assistance
15 programs web site created in this section. Beginning July 1,
16 2007, for projects that have specific funding periods, state
17 agencies shall provide the office of administration with
18 electronic copies of their application packets no later than
19 sixty days prior to any deadlines for application for assistance.
20 The catalog of state assistance shall include such application
21 packets under the notice of funding availability section of the
22 catalog. Programs shall be listed in the notice of funding
23 availability section of the catalog for at least forty-five days
24 prior to application deadlines. Programs that continually take

1 applications shall not be listed in such section of the catalog.

2 4. By June 30, 2005, the secretary of state shall create a
3 web page with links to all existing web pages for programs in
4 state agencies that meet the descriptions defined in section
5 28.752. The catalog shall be developed and operational by June
6 30, 2006, with the notice of funding availability section of the
7 catalog to be operational by June 30, 2007.

8 5. For each program in the catalog, the following
9 information shall be provided whenever possible:

- 10 (1) Agency administering assistance;
- 11 (2) Statutory or budgetary authorization for the program;
- 12 (3) Assistance programs goals and objectives;
- 13 (4) Types of assistance available;
- 14 (5) Uses and restrictions;
- 15 (6) Eligibility requirements;
- 16 (7) Summary of the application and award process;
- 17 (8) Assistance considerations such as:
 - 18 (a) Project time limitations; and
 - 19 (b) Matching funds required;
- 20 (9) Award requirements;
- 21 (10) Financial information on the program;
- 22 (11) Summary of program accomplishments;
- 23 (12) Informational contacts;
- 24 (13) Examples of funded projects; and

1 (14) Criteria for selection of proposals.

2 If the program is a federal program administered by a state
3 agency, the Missouri catalog of assistance programs shall include
4 the program's Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number and
5 an electronic link to that program's information in the Catalog
6 of Federal Domestic Assistance.

7 6. The secretary of state shall assign a unique identifying
8 number to each program listed in the Missouri catalog of state
9 assistance programs. For federal assistance programs
10 administered by a state agency, the number shall include the
11 Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number.

12 7. There is hereby established in the state treasury the
13 "Missouri Catalog of State Assistance Programs Resources Fund",
14 which shall be administered by the secretary of state. A cost
15 allocation program shall be developed to charge the costs of the
16 program in this section to the various state agencies that have
17 programs in the catalog. Costs shall be assessed equitably to
18 the participating agencies using a method that complies with all
19 applicable federal laws and regulations. State agencies may
20 apply to the secretary of state for a waiver of participation in
21 the cost allocation methodology by providing documentation to the
22 secretary of state that a federal or state law or regulation
23 prohibits administrative costs for state administering agencies.

For waivers regarding state programs, the state agency shall provide sufficient evidence that such an administrative rule was in effect prior to June 30, 2004. Costs allocated shall be based upon costs of the program as determined by the secretary of state. The secretary of state, in conjunction with the office of administration, shall create an interagency billing process to initiate such administrative transfers from each state agency in June of each year that shall be deposited into the Missouri catalog of state assistance programs resources fund at the beginning of each fiscal year, but shall not exceed one-quarter of one percent of any individual program during that fiscal year. If a new grant program is initiated in the middle of the fiscal year as a result of federal pass-through funds becoming available for application through a state agency, the state agency shall notify the secretary of state, and an administrative billing of no more than one-quarter of one percent may be applied and initiated by the secretary of state to that program. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary, moneys in the fund shall not revert to the credit of the general revenue fund at the end of the biennium. The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be credited to the fund.

28.752. 1. For purposes of section 28.750, unless the

1 context expressly indicates otherwise, the following types of
2 state programs shall be included in the catalog, defined as
3 follows:

4 (1) "Federal grants administered by state agencies", all
5 federal grant programs that are administered by a state agency
6 specifically for the purpose of allocating funds to other state
7 agencies, local governments, not-for-profit and individual
8 applicants, but does not include general grants received by state
9 agencies from the federal government and only includes those
10 grants for which the state agency is administering the
11 application and award process;

12 (2) "Formula grants", allocations of money to governmental
13 entities or their subdivisions in accordance with distribution
14 formulas prescribed by law or administrative regulation for
15 activities of a continuing nature not confined to a specific
16 project;

17 (3) "Project grants", the funding for fixed or known
18 periods of specific projects. Project grants may include
19 fellowships, scholarships, research grants, training grants,
20 traineeships, experimental and demonstration grants, evaluation
21 grants, planning grants, technical assistance grants, survey
22 grants, and construction grants;

23 (4) "Direct payments for specified use", financial
24 assistance from the state government provided directly to

1 individuals, private firms, and other private institutions to
2 encourage or subsidize a particular activity by conditioning the
3 receipt of the assistance on a particular performance by the
4 recipient, but does not include solicited contracts for the
5 procurement of goods and services for the state government;

6 (5) "Direct payments with unrestricted use", financial
7 assistance from the state government provided directly to
8 beneficiaries who satisfy state eligibility requirements with no
9 restrictions being imposed on the recipient as to how the money
10 is spent and includes payments to compensatory programs;

11 (6) "Direct loans", financial assistance provided through
12 the lending of state moneys for a specific period of time with a
13 reasonable expectation of repayment, including any tax credit
14 available in this state. Such loans may or may not require the
15 payment of interest;

16 (7) "Guaranteed or insured loans", programs in which the
17 state government makes an arrangement to identify a lender
18 against part or all of any defaults by those persons responsible
19 for repayment of loans;

20 (8) "Insurance", financial assistance provided to assure
21 reimbursement for losses sustained under specified conditions.
22 Coverage may be provided directly by the state government or
23 through private carriers and may or may not involve the payment
24 of premiums;

1 (9) "Sale, exchange, or donation of property and goods",
2 programs that provide for the sale, exchange, or donation of
3 state real property, personal property, commodities, and other
4 goods, including land, buildings, equipment, food, and drugs, but
5 does not include the loan of, use of, or access to state
6 facilities or property;

7 (10) "Provision of specialized services", programs that
8 provide state personnel directly to perform certain tasks for the
9 benefit of communities or individuals. Such services may be
10 performed in conjunction with nonstate personnel, but shall
11 involve more than consultation, advice, or counseling;

12 (11) "Advisory services and counseling", programs that
13 provide state specialists to consult, advise, or counsel
14 communities or individuals to include conferences, workshops, or
15 personal contacts, and may involve the use of published
16 information, but only in a secondary capacity;

17 (12) "Dissemination of technical information", programs
18 that provide for the publication and distribution of information
19 or data of a specialized or technical nature frequently through
20 the clearinghouse or libraries, and does not include conventional
21 public information services designed for general public
22 consumption;

23 (13) "Training", programs that provide instructional
24 activities conducted directly by a state agency for individuals

1 not employed by the state government; and

2 (14) "Investigation of complaints", state administrative
3 agency activities that are initiated in response to requests,
4 either formal or informal, to examine or investigate claims of
5 violations of state statutes, policies, or procedure. The
6 origination of such claims shall come from outside state
7 government.

8 2. In accordance with the provisions of sections 23.250 to
9 23.298, RSMo, and unless otherwise authorized pursuant to section
10 23.253, RSMo:

11 (1) Any new program authorized under the provisions of this
12 section and section 28.750 shall automatically sunset six years
13 after the effective date of this act; and

14 (2) This section and section 28.750 shall terminate on
15 September first of the year following the year in which any new
16 program authorized under this section and section 28.750 is
17 sunset, and the revisor of statutes shall designate such sections
18 and this section in a revision bill for repeal.